GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Skill Mission in Universities
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to rope in Universities to help implement its skill development mission across the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Universities have been asked to implement the skill mission and asked them to put to use the infrastructure of these institutions beyond formal education; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that it is implementing the schemes of (i) Community Colleges;(ii) B.Voc degree programme and (iii) Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Centers for Knowledge Acquisition and Upgradation of Skilled Human Abilities and Livelihood (KAUSHAL), in Universities and Colleges in the country for imparting skills to students. Universities and Colleges, approved under the scheme of Community Colleges, can award Certificates, Diplomas and Advanced level Diplomas for the skill development courses offered by them and approved by the UGC. KAUSHAL Centres can offer approved programmes at Bachelors and Masters level in skill development. The guidelines of these schemes are available at http://www.ugc.ac.in/page/XII-Plan-Guidelines.aspx .
(c) & (d): As on date, the UGC has approved 162 institutions for offering B.Voc Degree Programmes, 223 for Community Colleges and 64 for Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya KAUSHAL Kendras.
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